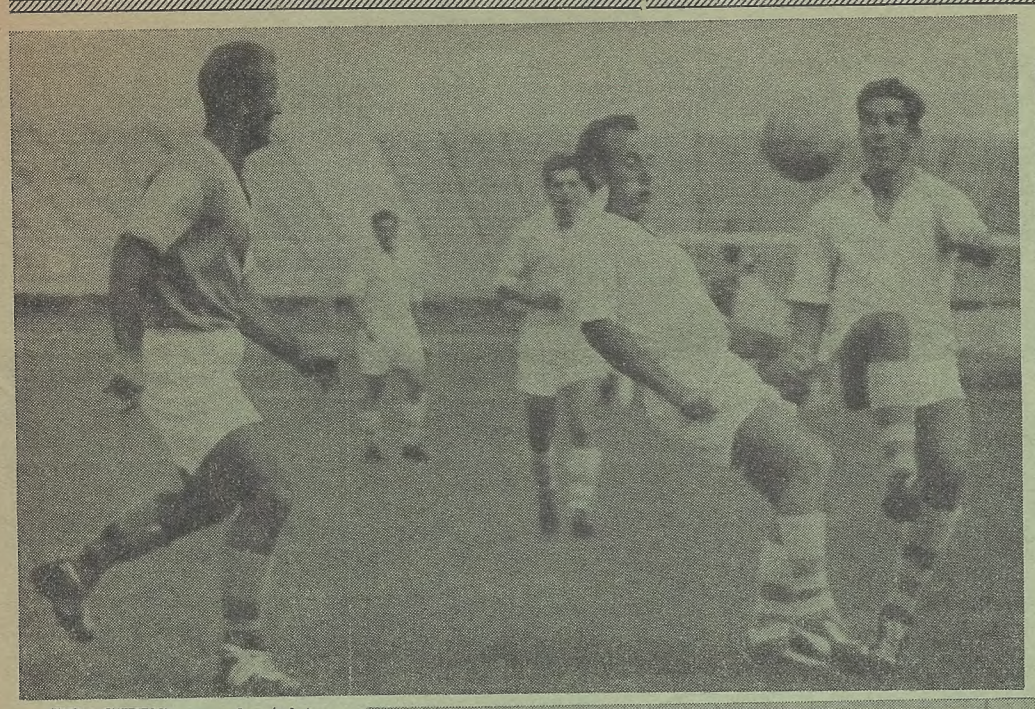

PRAGUE'S Austrian stars Baumgartner left and Jaros indulge in little ball juggling in recent trial game against Auburn, with Bob Duff coming in to intercept. At right, Baumgartner cuts in to take the ball from Cardiff of Auburn. The Austrian Internationals will be at Turramurra Oval at 6.15 p.m. Tuesday to give free coaching to juniors and schoolboys, under the Federation coaching scheme. They will be seen in action at the Sydney Athletic Field on Sunday in a trial game against Hakoah.

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Assimilation policy is now beginning to pay dividends

The face of Australian soccer is being lifted slowly.

The Federation of Soccer Clubs, whose policy has been assimilation of migrants irrespective of nationality, has had remarkable success in this regard.

Not so long ago we recall how the folly of soccer administrators barred soccer club with a nationalistic approach to the game.

We all remember the irresponsible outburst when our continental friends were referred to as "a bunch of D. P's".

How far have those same people contributed towards their own assimilation?

Firstly they have formed themselves into national groups — Dutch, German, Maltese, Hungarians, Italians, Chinese etc.

Gained popularity

Those groups provide a common association between nationals for the early part of their adoption.

Habit and speech are usually the basis for this association in national groups.

The Federation has sponsored those groups and as a result gained much popularity.

The purely nationalistic basis is slowly disappearing from those clubs and we now know of gradual assimilation of locals and migrants participating in teams and clubs all in the interest of soccer.

Out of this association is developing a new brand of soccer which is captivating the imagination of Australians.

Thousands are flocking to see soccer in Sydney, where Continentals, British and Australian players and officials work together.

When Budapest made their first grade deput in the Ampol Cup a typical continental flavor preceded their introduction to the big crowd.

Each player with a bouquet of flowers ran to every corner of the ground and presented them to women, much to the delight of the spectators.

If they didn't gain any friends with their soccer ability, and we think the did, then a lot of people left the ground with a "warm spot" for our continental friends.

Sunday's trial game could be real thriller

The Prague—Hakoah trial game clash at Sydney Athletic Field on Sunday should be a real crowd-pleaser and it will surprise if it does not draw the biggest trial game crowd ever seen in the city.

Both teams have lined up all their "big guns" for the occasion and followers could see a real thriller.

The talent on show will include such names as World Cup star Jock Aird, Andreas Saghi, Hungarian international, Leo Baumgartner and Karl Jaros, Austrians internationals, together with many others who have won representative honors.

But Hakoah will be without clever inside forward, Jules Forgács, who is making favorable progress after his recent operation for the removal of a cartilage.

At MacArthur Park on Sunday, Granville and Budapest meet.

This, too, could be an interesting fixture, which should benefit both teams prior to the opening of the competition season.

Another game worth watching will be that beween APIA and Auburn at Lambert Park on Saturday.

Quested and Morrow will be there as usual to provide Auburn's drive, while APIA will be "shaking down" several newcomers who look like becoming top-notchers before long.

FORGACS

HAKOAH'S MANAGER

This week Hakoah appointed Mr Hector Byrne of Rosehill a team manager for the ensuing season.

Mr Byrne always a forceful, keen debater and enterprising individual will in no way be associated with the administration or policy of that club.

Interviewed today Mr Byrne said: "I in no way intend to leave my own club Lidcombe-Clyde nor forsake the Second Division whom I have been honoured to represent on the Management Committee.

"I have not joined the Hakoah club as a member but have undertaken the task of co-ordinating all phases of team personnel and duties akin to their welfare."

"In this regard it is hoped to consolidate Hakoah's playing strength on the basis of their relationship and responsibility to their management committee."

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ASSOCN. PUZZLE

Who wants to fight about what?

What motive lies behind the fight the NSW Soccer Football Association is trying to put up to retain its identity?

After recent proposals submitted by the Australian Association to the Federation, which the Federation accepted, it was thought that the NSW Association would gracefully withdraw to save its decadent organisation from complete ridicule.

Instead, it retaliated with talk of being "sold out" and assured all and sundry that it would continue the "fight".

What has it got left to fight for?

Ready to take over

The NSW Association "created" the Federation through its own default.

Now, after only two seasons, the Federation has shown how soccer should be conducted.

From this beginning, the Federation is ready to take over control of Soccer in New South Wales.

But what happens?

The very organisation which bungled the administration of the code and badly retarded its progress wants to be allowed to continue its activities.

The Federation has no place in its organisation for these administrators, and they know it.

The Federation will continue to make progress in soccer, not because of them, but in spite of them.

Major sport objective

Its vision goes further than a pub-and-slot-machine property in George Street.

The Federation is determined to make soccer a major sport and won't be sidetracked.

The NSW Soccer Association Ltd. was tightly-controlled organisation, about which the clubs knew nothing.

Progressive moves suggested by club officials just ran into dead-ends

Had it been otherwise the men now managing the Federation could have held similar positions of authority in the Association.

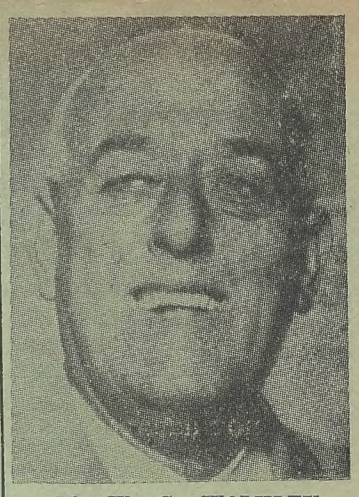
If the Association wants to keep it that way — well, that's all right by the Federation.

But the Association must be prepared for total extinction.

The Federation knows where it is going, and in strength, but the oppositon is now a beaten and battered army.

The only thing is, it won't realise it.

Club publicity men are requested to keep up their supply of news for inclusion in each issue 'of "Soccer World" and players photographs are especially required for featuring in subsequent issues.



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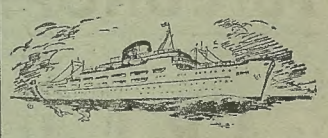

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'Soccer' to introduce more features

From time to time we hope to publish action photographs of Federation players in the course of matches played throughout the season.

For this interesting feature we acknowledge thanks to Mr Katzer, who runs a successful plywood business in East Bankstown.

Mr Katzer is an amateur photographer, who obtains much enjoyment from filming and processing pictures of Federation teams in action.

In addition we are shortly introducing a series of cartoons by a leading Sydney cartoonist.

Other features will be our "Player of the Week", together with a weekly forcast of results by an independent expert.

Sid Grant writes from

The Northern Angle

Many Northern clubs and especially the paying public are happy that within the next few weeks peace may be restored to the ranks of soccer in this State.

With the Federation in sole control in the capital, it appears that the "pirating" of Northen players will cease in favor of organised transfers.

TRANSFER FEE

Bill Paddock has returned home after one Ampol Cup game in Sydney.

As soon as Paddock said he would stay in the north, Wallsend secretary Ken Ward wrote out a fat cheque for Cardiff.

Within hours Paddock's transfer was through and the former international played with Wallsend against East Lakes in the Ampol series.

YOUTHFUL TALENT

The Cessnock team which beat Mayfield United in the last kick of extra time contained six former juniors.

Sixteen-year-old centre half Bill Marshall played a grand game.

Marshall is powerfully built and can cover a lot of ground with great effectiveness.

The Ampol series has shown that there is an abundance of youthful talent available.

An organised system of coaching would be a tremendous benefit in showing this big squad of lads the techniques needed to succed in top-grade soccer.

NAME CHANGE

Soon the name of East Lakes will disapear from the official records.

The team will be officially known as Charleston United.

£1000 FOR GROUND

The Adamstown Rosebud Social Club is to give £1000 to the Newcastle City Council to improve Adamstown Oval.

A grand gesture, as cricket shares this ground.

Without being ungenerous, over the years cricket has given practically nothing to this area.

It has been built solely on soccer money.

Fees paid weekly by cricketers go into the preparation of the wicket for the weekend game.

Soccer needs more than a 50/50 share of this ground, if the Adamstown club is to bring about the improvements needed to make it the code's No 1 showground in Newcastle.

CLUB'S LOSS

International inside forward S. Kitching has left Adamstown to return to his native Queensland, where he will play with the Bundamba in the Brisbane First Division.

Kitching was very popular in his season's stay at Adamstown, where he received generous treatment from the club.

Last season Kitching played against Blackpool and toured New Zealand with the Australian team.

Testimonial for Harry Murdoch

Approval has been given for a testimonial for test star Harry Murdoch, of Balgownie.

The Federation is honored to have the opportunity of providing some recompence to a player who has given great service to both his club and country.

Details of the match will be given later in these columns.

SUPPORT YOUR CLUBS

Any organisation is only as good as its components and in this regard the Federation has most important ones in its clubs and their supporters.

The success of the Federation is due to these.

The Federation set out to give the best in soccer, and, because of the enthusiasm of clubs and their officials, it has not disappointed the thousands of followers of the game.

It makes no secret of the fact that it is promoting semi-professional football, but that applies only to the players.

The energy and enthusiasm of officials is inspired by love of the game — not the thought of personal gain.

There are no signing on fees or payments for these men, without whom the clubs could not function.

These are the men who make sacrifices so that their clubs will not only survive, but make progress.

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New Junior district in Western Suburbs

The continued development of soccer in the Sydney area may be instanced by the birth of another district association.

The "babe" this time is the Western Suburbs District, which only recently was granted a charter by the New South Wales Junior Association.

This new venture prompted by the success of senior clubs, already backed by junior associations, whose organisations provide a nursery of talent for the future, has not been lightly undertaken.

Mr George Liddell, who has spent his lifetime in soccer, together with Messrs T. Reid and G. Hill of Five Dock, are guiding this organisation through its early stages.

The new Association is bounded by the Harbour Bridge, west side of York Street, west side of George Street to Broadway to Princes Highway and Newtown Bridge.

It continues along the north side of the main western line to Strathfield, along east side of the main northern line to Parramatta River.

Suburbs included within these boundary lines are Balmain, Pyrmont, Leichhardt, Drummoyne, Five Dock, Haberfield, Abbotsford and Concord.

Applications are invited for affiliation with this Association from teams within this area, ranging from 10 years upward.

For further particulars contact Mr T. Reid, President, WF 7713, Mr G. Hill, treasurer, WF 7371, or Mr G. Liddell, secretary, UF 3541.

Fixture cards

The Federation will be distributing 20,000 fixture cards for the forthcoming season.

The Commonwealth Bank has undertaken the task of arranging these cards.

They should be available to all supporters shortly.

Ballboy outfits

Equipment worn by the ballboys in tonight's game was supplied by the Speedo Knitting Mills, to whom the Federation acknowledges its thanks.

PERSONAL

Our "old" friend and patron of the Prague club Stan Slavik met with an unfortunate accident last week.

Following a duck shooting expedition down south, Stan's car overturned three times on the way home.

Suffering great pain, it did not deter him from seeing his club overwhelm North Side last Friday night in the Ampol series, which goes to prove that in spite of getting a "duck" he is still "not out".

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Lidcombe Oval — 7.30 p.m.

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CORRIMAL UNITED

(Tangerine shirts, black shorts, tangerine socks)

COACH: B. BRYANT

RESERVES: J. McGolderick, E. Drain, C. Kangyar

1 Goal — T. ORVAD
2 Right back — W. TAYLOR
3 Left back — S. DEVLIN
4 Right half — W. WILLIAMS
5 Centre half — D. LOVE
6 Left half — R. YOUNG
8 Inside right — P. PETERS
10 Inside left — B. GANIS
7 Outside right — R. BURNS
9 Centre forward — K. LEARMONTH
11 Outside left — C. STEWART

R. MARSHALL, 11 Outside left
W. MacAUSLANE, 9 Centre forward
J. CRELLEY, 7 Outside right
K. VAIREY, 10 Inside left
M. SMITH, 8 Inside right
B. WALL, 6 Left half
A. PENDLETON, 5 Centre half
F. GARSIDE, 4 Right half
J. CLARK, 3 Left back
K. HAWKINS, 2 Right back
L. LINDNER, 1 Goal

COACH: K. WILSON

(Green shirts, white shorts, green and white socks)

GRANVILLE

CANTERBURY v. BALGOWNIE

Lidcombe Oval — 9 p.m.

REFEREE: R. WRIGHT
LINESMEN: P. WRIGHT, R. IREDALE

CANTERBURY

(Yellow shirts, white shorts, yellow and white socks)

COACH: J. VLASITS

1 Goal — R.R. BROWN
2 Right back — T. NORTH
3 Left back — E. JONES
4 Right half — D. BROWN
5 Centre half — J. J. CURRY
6 Left half — D. STOCKS
8 Inside right — J. MOORE
10 Inside left — R. NEAL
7 Outside right — J. WATKISS
9 Centre forward — B.B. YOUNG
11 Outside left — B. SALISBURY

J. AMSDEN, 11 Outside left
T.T. McWATTERS, 9 Centre forward
F. LUNARDON, 7 Outside right
T. KAY, 10 Inside left
W. McKINNON, 8 Inside right
N. RYAN, 6 Left half
J. J. GRANT, 5 Centre half
A. GARIPOLI, 4 Right half
H. MURDOCH, 3 Left back
A. ROBINSON, 2 Right back
S.S. RICHARDSON, 1 Goal

RESERVES: T. Beenecke, N. Johnstone

COACH: T. ROBERTSON

(Red shirts, white shorts, red and white socks)

BALGOWNIE

Finance vital to progress

At the last meeting of the Federation Council it was resolved that gate charges for the new soccer season beginning March 28 would be 3/- in all competition matches.

This is a reduction of 1/- on the original charge of 4/- determined last meeting.

This, however, means an increase of sixpence on last year's charges, which would appear to the paying public as quite reasonable.

It was obvious that some increase was necessary to meet the growing development of Federation clubs.

The progressive policy of the Federation can be maintained only with finance.

Soccer followers will appreciate this, providing an improved standard is forthcoming and that is exactly what the Federation clubs are aiming to do.

For instance the Prague club has passed through the turnon the game, not all of which has passed through the turnstiles.

The increase in entrance fee will, therefore, provide some additional finance for the further development of the game as a whole.

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PRAGUE — NORTH SIDE: PRAGUE 5—0 (6. 3. 1959)
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CORRIMAL — BANKSTOWN: CORRIMAL 3—1 (20. 2. 1959)
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NEXT FRIDAY MATCHES AT LIDCOMBE OVAL:

PRAGUE v GLADESVILLE — 7.30 p. m.
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TRIAL MATCHES TOMORROW:

APIA v AUBURN at Lambeth Park — 1 p.m.

TRIAL MATCHES ON SUNDAY:

PRAGUE v HAKOAH at Sydney Athletic Field — 1p. m.
GRANVILLE v BUDAPEST at MacArthur Park — 1 p.m.

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Round the Clubs in 10 Minutes

Corrimal clash with old rivals

Corrimal re-appear tonight with D. Love in the centre half position.

Love will be remembered for his sterling displays with Woonona.

Corrimal are eager to take out this year's Ampol Cup and to this end they are leaving little to chance.

The team rarely changes, which is healthy sign.

Mostly "old" campaigners they never fail to draw crowds wherever they play.

Their opponents tonight are old rivals and many clashes between them will be recalled.

This fixture in bygone days used to be a main attraction in Sydney.

Since then the face of soccer has changed, never-the-less it will be an interesting game and should draw a large crowd to see these old rivals in a new setting.

Coach Bryant has been hard at work with the Corrimal boys and is quietly confident of the outcome.

Granville fields strong team

Granville selectors — Wilson, I. Sedgwick and A. Marshall — have chosen a well-balanced team, combining experience and youth, for the club's Federation debut against Corrimal tonight.

These two teams last clashed in 1957, the result being two wins apiece out of four encounters, when they were with the Association.

Granville players, renowned for their demeanor both on and off the field, are at a disadvantage in this match inasmuch that they have not had a game under floodlights this season.

The Magpies, led by Bob Wall, include some of the best known names in Australian soccer.

Right full back Ken Hawkins, in his eighth season, played against Blackpool.

Frank Garside, entering his ninth season, has played against New Zealand and F. K. Austria, alongside Bob Wall and Ken Vairey, two great club men.

Wall has 11 years service to his credit.

On the left flank will be international Ray Marshall, who in his 17 years of first grade football, has played against China, South Africa, Yugoslavia and a visiting English team.

In the forward line and showing fine potential under the experienced eye of coach Ken Wilson is 17-year-old John Crelley — on the right wing alongside 19-year-old Morrie Smith.

Both these young players turned in first class performances against Bankstown last Saturday.

Crelley is beginning his second year with Granville, and Smith, after a season with Gladesville, is now in his third year.

Holding down the centre-forward position is hard-running 21-year-old Warren MacAuslane, former interstate Under 21 captain.

Left back J. Clark was a last minute selection to replace Ted Anthes, who chipped an ankle bone at training.

Ted was on the sidelines half of last season because of a hernia operation.

He showed to good advantage in early trials, and excelled last Saturday against Bankstown; when he played centre forward for the reserves and left back for the firsts.

Goalkeeper Les Linder also won last minute selection due to lapse of form of Jan Verheyen in last Saturday's trials.

Linder is a former Leichhardt player.

Trainer George Meadham has conditioned his charges for 90 minutes of hard football and confidently expects them to acquit themselves well.

The progressive Granville committee showed keenness and judgement when it appointed coach Ken Wilson.

Ken arrived in Australia from Britain in September of last year.

The holder of a FAAC ticket, he received tuition from George Curtis, formerly of Arsenal and Sunderland.

South Coasters make debut

Balgownie tonight will be out to convince soccer followers that the South Coast has another team worthy of top flight soccer.

They are one of the oldest clubs on the coast.

How they will stand up to Canterbury's power game will be of great interest to fans.

Balgownie followers are confident their team will make a good showing and will have no excuses if beaten tonight.

They have plenty of talent at their disposal and providing they blend together they may give Canterbury a shock.

Scotsman Mc Watters with Australian representatives Harry Murdoch and young goalkeeper Stanley Richardson and Italian wingers, Frank Lunardon and J. Amsden are just a few of the talented players at their disposal.

The eleventh hour scoop signing of EPT captain A. Garipoli should be a tonic to the young Balgownie lads.

Canterbury will test newcomers

Canterbury's appearance at Lidcombe Oval tonight will be watched with interest.

Their opponents on this occasion being Federation newcomers, Balgownie, who ran away with the Association premiership last year.

Canterbury are always a good team to watch.

They play a delightful style of soccer which is pleasing,

J. CURRY

even to their opponents.

The combination of youth and experience abounds in this team.

This is what Balgownie must face tonight and it will be interesting to see how they meet the challenge of the crack team from Canterbury.

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KOPA TOP IN POLL FOR EUROPE'S BEST

France's Raymond Kopa has been chosen by the European Press Best Player for 1958.

He succeeds Spain's di Stefano, the 1957 nomination,, and England's Matthews, 1956 winner.

Fifteen nations put the genial Frenchman on the top of this poll.

Seventeen world-famous sports writers were consulted and Bernard Joy of the "Evening Standard" was Britain's representative in the Europe-wide poll.

Rahn second

Germany's Rahn was second, and another Frenchman, Fontaine, third.

Swede Hamrin and Welshman John Charles tied for fourth place, Billy Wright-England's veteran captain-was sixth and another Englishman Haynes, was seventh.

Kopa definitely deserved this honor.

He steered France to World Cup honors and outshone Brazil's centre-forward in the competition.

Playing for fabulous Real Madrid Kopa was every bit as good as when playing for France's national XI, and has become the idol of Spanish crowds.

Thanks to him, Real won once again the European Cup and is now the undisputed top club side in the world..

Kopa is only 26 and will be ending his Spanish contract in 1960.

He is expected to return to his first French club Angers by the end of that year and will greatly strengthen the French national team.

German Helmut Rahn has the world's strongest right foot and his shots at goal are deadly; he starred throughout the year for Germany and deserves his second place in Europe.

Just Fontaine is currently Europe's top goal-getter and was outstanding in Sweden last June where he beat an all-time record, scoring thirteen goals in five matches.

Fontaine could carry his club Rheims to the final stages of this year's European Cup.

He is likely to be transfered to a Spanish club next season.

Swedish winger Hamrin is the "clown-prince" of international soccer, but in his serious moods he is magnificent as he has shown in the Italian club competition, and above all in the recent World Cup where he played a great part in his team's surprising run of wins which took it in to the final against Brazil.

Great inspiration

Juventus Turin's Welshman John Charles was the toast of Europe a few months back, but has disapointed in the World Cup and has been now displaced by the new find Nicolé in the Turin forward-line.

Billy Wright is the only back to be included in the "top seven" and at 36 remains a great inspiration to the English national team.

His courage is unfailing and he is a leading factor in Wolverhampton's national triumphs

Fulham's Johnny Haynes is a surprise choice, but his superb match against Russia in November was a deciding factor in his favor.

Players like Gustavsson (Sweden) Gregg (Ireland), Szymaniak (Germany), Lieholm (Sweden), Gento (Spain) and Skoglund (Sweden) were also given some consideration and regarded as Europe's best by some soccer specialists.

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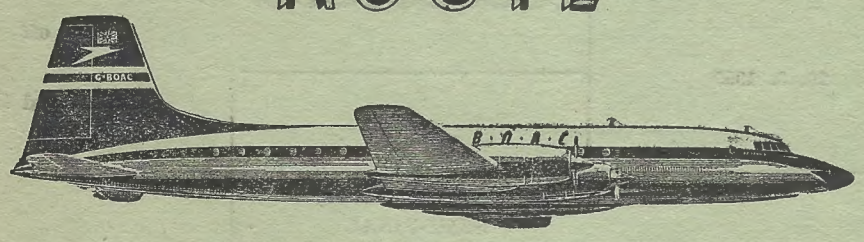

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SECOND DIVISION

Optimism running high in all clubs for bumper season

By H. BYRNE

Had the opportunity at last Council meeting of having a chat to many Second Division representatives.

Optimism is running high regarding the chances of the individual teams.

With March 28 fast approaching, teams are making the necessary adjustments in order to win and keep winning.

Looking at the first round draw I defy anyone to select a game which will not be a hard fought tussle.

For instance, Pan Hellenic v Sutherland I would nominate as the "match of the day".

Pan Hellenic are a known quantity.

They set a high standard in last year's competition.

Sutherland is a progressive area and will no doubt be out to prove they are a worthy addition to Federation soccer.

A brief report of this game will be made in the next issue.

Ted Polac reports that the Polonia club, having lost several of their older players due to retirement, have embarked upon a youth policy.

Indications are that Ted is on a winner and his youngsters are already "straining at the leash" waiting their chance to prove their worth.

Officials of the White Eagles club feel quietly confidently of the outcome of their game with Blacktown.

However, a word of warning — don't take Blacktown too lightly as I know that club to be a tough and scientific team as any in Division II.

A special meeting of Second and Third Division clubs will be held on March 18 in the Polonia Hall, Liverpool Road, Ashfield.

This meeting is of great importance as it will decide admission charges for Second Division games.

Many feel that increased charges should coincide with additional charges made by First Division clubs.

Higher standard

My own opinion is that before we increase charges in Division II our standard most be raised somewhat higher than in previous years.

Ways and means must be found to bring crowds to those games and in so doing become the driving force behind the First Division.

Why overtax the faithfull few?

I have made several requests for details of your players and officials but as yet details of same are not forthcoming.

Would clubs not already contacted submit this information as soon as possible in order to make this section of the paper a success, which, in turn, may assist materially in the Second Division's progress.

Dates to remember:

- Second and Third Division meeting, March 18
- First Round Competition, March 28
- Council Meeting, April 1

Juniors are becoming 'big-time'

Last year once again saw an increase in the numbers of lads playing soccer.

Affiliated metropolitan association increased the number of teams from 741 in 1957, to 828, with a playing strength of 12,500.

Country affiliates increased from 375 teams to 448, with a playing strength of 6,500.

Non-affiliated country areas fielded approximately 100 teams.

School teams increased from 958 to 1,400.

Most of the metropolitan area is covered by Junior Associations.

This year the West Sydney area is to be under the control of the newly formed Western Suburbs Association.

But some areas have no Association, particularly South Sydney.

This is one area that should be able to produce many young players, so if any of you people would like to form Associations where there are none at present, please contact the secretary, Mr W. Brackenbury, 3 Keir Avenue, Hurlstone Park, LL 2137, who will arrange for the Junior Board to assist you.

Giant organisation grew from humble beginning

In 1872 a small crowd of 2000 spectators assembled on the wind-blown ground called Kennington Oval, to see the first English Football Association Challange Cup final.

The clubs concerned were Wanderers and Royal Engineers (both now extinct).

Wanderers won by one goal to nil.

From that sparsely attended match 86 years ago, Football Association (FA) Cup final crowds gradually grew until the staggering figure of 126,000 was reached when it was staged for the first time at the now famous Wembley Stadium, London, in 1923.

Bolton Wanderers won the greatly prized trophy on that unforgettable day by beating West Ham United by two goals to nil.

Now, however, spectators are limited on a ticket-only basis to 100,000.

The history of the English Football Association sctually goes as far back as 1863, when representatives of 11 clubs met in a London hotel.

NEW SYSTEM OF PROMOTION

Today, in England, there are 92 clubs in the four senior League Divisions — 22 each in Division One and Two, and 24 each in Division Three and Four.

The 1958—59 season, incidentally, introduces this new league set-up, changing the former Third Division North and South sections into national Third and Fourth Division in the geographical sense.

A new system of promotion and relegation is also in operation.

At the end of the season, four clubs will be promoted from the Fourth to the Third Division, which means of course, relegation for four Third Diviosin clubs.

There will also be the normal procedure of two teams going up and two down between the Third and Second Divisions and likewise between the Second Division and the First.

Aggregate attendances at the Saturday afternoon matches played by the four Divisions are well over 1,000,000, and so far this season that figure has been maintained despite increased television coverage of other major sports such as racing and athletics.

By C. C. D. CURRAN
London sports commentator

Football, too, is televised, but that does not deter the enthusiast who prefers to go to the match and give vocal encouragement to his favorite team.

Apart from the FA Cup competition, the FA Amateur Cup, and the League championships, followers of football in England have a whole host of international fixture to provide exciting fare.

In the off season (from early May until late August) many British clubs in Britain go overseas.

One of the most outstanding features in First Division football this season has been the remarkable revival of Arsenal, the London club of world-wide reputation for individual artistry and superb team work.

Under new manager George Swindin, formerly with the Midland Counties League club, Peterborough United, much of the old brilliance of the London side has now returned.

The inclusion of two Scottish internationals — Tommy Docherty of Presten North End and Jackie Henderson of Wolverhampton Wanderers — has made Arsenal a much more formidable side.

Another First Division club whose performances are followed with almost national interest is Manchester United.

TRIUMPH FOR TEAM SPIRIT

After winning the FA Cup two years in succession (in 1956 and 57) there was every possibility that they would repeat the triumph last season.

The Munich air disaster, however, in which several of the Manchester players were killed and injured, was a setback which few people in Britain thought the club could survive.

But their wonderful team spirit prevailed, and they are making a strong challenge this season for League honors.

Their team rebuilding included acquisition of Albert Quixall of Sheffield Wednesday for the record fee of £45,000.

Victorian Notes

By L. K. STONE

George Cross won the Sun Cup night competition against JUST 2—1 at the Melbourne Showground, but could not be presented with the cup.

Last year's winner, Juventus, could not find it anywhere in their clubroom, where it was on display throughout the year.

Juventus were earlier disqualified from the tournament as a result of a protest by George Cross.

Juventus officials are contacting all their members and have already sent out many telegrams appealing for the return of the trophy.

So far all their efforts have been in vain.

The game itself was not a classic but there was plenty of action for the 3000 spectators.

George Cross' win was mainly due to the determined play of their solid half back line, in which T. Vella was the star.

Although the hard tackling JUST defence unsettled the Maltese wingers, the inside trio cleverly took advantage of the tiniest opening.

McBain was particularely prominent, and had Catania made more use of his perfect passes, the score in George Cross's favor would have been more convincing.

JUST, after their great win against Hakoah the previous week, were rather disappointing.

Even their excellent goalkeeper, Joe Reuyers, had an off day.

Unstoppable drive

However, he cannot be blamed for the goals scored against him.

The first was an unstoppable drive by McBain, and the other a well taken penalty by Lolly Vella.

This was the fifth Sun Cup final and JUST have been in all five finals, but this was not their lucky day.

Even a penalty was missed in the second half.

Marinovic scored the Yugoslavs only goal from a good centre by Fabjanic, who was their best player.

After the match, amidst the jubilant George Cross followers, Mr Docherty, President of the VASFA, presented small individual trophies to the players of both teams.

Last Sunday, 4000 spectators went to Middle Park to see Juventus defeat Hakoah 3—2 in the only practice match of any consequence.

The reserves drew 2—2.

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FROM the SIDELINES

By TAD TARG

THE SWAN SONG — Mr Cobden Jones, of NSW Association fame, declared last week that the "war" is by no means over yet.

What "war"?

If Mr Jones and his flock are willing to fight they will have to find themselves an enemy.

We just couldn't oblige.

At present the Federation is preoccupied with other things of value, like lifting Australian soccer to heights never attained before.

In fact we've already achieved a standard no-one under Mr C. Jones' regime ever dreamed of.

So, I'm afraid, we just haven't got the time.

So sorry.

I UNDERSTAND Mr Jones and Co. do worry now.

I little too-late, I guess, but never-the-less a healthy sign.

Because — and this is not exactly original — it is better to have worried and lost,, than not to have worried at all...

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THIS IS DEFINETELY the parting word on the subject.

The NSW Association heads should consider themselves lucky that they happend to be Australians and the "uprising" took place in this peaceful and democratic country.

I'd hate to think what would have become of them if it happened, say, somewhere in explosive South America.

Here?

It was just fun while it lasted...

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BACK TO FOOTBALL — Didn't Prague make it look easy?

Trapping, passing,, accurate shooting, getting away from opponents and into empty spaces didn't seem to be a problem at all.

And the North Side boys certainly weren't helping them.

The latter tried hard, but were beaten by a team that could hold its own against any European First Division club side.

What a joy it must have been for the ever-ready-to-invest Prague management to see their gamble - a gamble with many thousends of pounds — beginning to pay dividends.

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NEWLY PROMOTED Budapest made a good impression in their debut in First Division.

They lost, unfortunately, but played a delightful brand of football.

They appeared to be the better side, yet could not score.

Unlucky perhaps, but — as "Uncle" Joe Vlasits puts it — the only thing that counts is when the referee blows the whistle twice and points his hand toward the centre of the field.

HOWEVER, the team as a whole played itself right into the spectators' hearts.

When the game ended we witnessed a thunderous ovation for both the victors and the vanquished.

Which is, of course, what we have come to expect from the fair and sporting soccer followers we're having at Lidcombe Oval.

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AND NOW A FEW WORDS of praise for the Gladesville defence.

Under constant pressure most of the time, they managed to keep that ball clear of the net, quite miraculously at times.

At one stage we began to wonder how long their luck could last, but it did — till the final whistle.

A fine effort indeed.

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OFFICIAL ATTENDANCE (5301) at last Friday's games should read 5300 soccer fans and 1 (one) Rugby League coach from the country.

He is holidaying in Sydney and decided to take a look at "this new craze" as he put it.

He seemed to have enjoyed it no less than many other excited spectators.

No other comments — I think — are necessary...

Teams for weekend trial games

AUBURN

W. Henderson; J. Cardiff, E. Wallace; R. Tweedie, R. Duff, A. Henderson; B. Staples, R. Hall, B. Morrow, L. Quested, G. Warren.

APIA

M. Trisic; L. Stedman, R. Hawshaw or L. Davanzo; G. Cinat, N. Bonanzza, F. Sands; H. Eggler, J. Vasváry, A. de Paoli, P. Turella or D. Schio, I. Pittioni.

HAKOAH

K. Spiegel; P. Nash, J. Aird; J. Adair or J. Bosánszki, J. Walsh, H. Schussig; B. Biró, F. Aranyi, B. Burgoyne, F. Hearn, R. Moore.

PRAGUE

R. Lord; S. Gennari, L. Scheinflug; S. Sherwin, K. O'Neil, P. Jaksa; R. Ringhof, A. Sághi, L. Baumgartner, E. Swartz, K. Jaros.

BUDAPEST

Z. Káldi; J. Csomor, R. Flett; F. Láng, G. Kósa, G. Kovács; J. Vörös, J. Pompor, J. Galambos, I. Schopf, F. Melinz.

GRANVILLE

L. Lindner; K. Hawkins, F. Clarke; F. Garside, A. Pendleton, B. Wall; J. Crelley, M. Smith, W. MacAuslane, K. Vairey, R. Marshall.

Results of trial games

Trial matches played last weekend resulted:

HAKOAH v SYDNEY AUSTRAL 5—1; BANKSTOWN v GRANVILLE 4—3; APIA v NORTH SIDE UNITED 10—0; PRAGUE v CORRIMAL 5—3.

Ampol Cup crowds

20. 2. 1959	—	4634
27. 2. 1959	—	5200
6. 3. 1959	—	5301
Total		15.135

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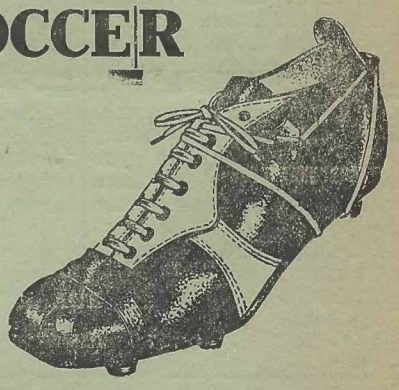

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